



**A Message from the Director, U.S. Census Bureau:**

We are requesting your cooperation with the **2022 Economic Census**. This survey is used to ensure accurate classification of businesses and organizations. Accurate industry classification is the foundation for reliable economic data, which is essential to business and government decision making. Since this survey requests no operating data, it should only take a few minutes to complete.

**Authentication Code:**

**Due Date:**

1. **Register OR sign in** at <https://portal.census.gov>
2. **Add** your authentication code.
3. **Report** by clicking on "REPORT NOW." You can return to your account over multiple sessions to complete the survey.

**YOUR RESPONSE IS REQUIRED BY LAW** and will be kept strictly **CONFIDENTIAL**. Information about the authority, confidentiality, and burden of this data collection can be found on the back of this letter.

For assistance with completing this survey, please sign into your Census Bureau account or visit <https://census.gov/econ>. For further assistance, call our customer help line at 1-800-584-9066, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern time.

**Thank you** in advance for your time and participation, and for helping the U.S. Census Bureau measure America's people and economy.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Santos  
Director

## **OMB Number**

This collection has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The eight-digit OMB approval number is 0607-0998 and appears in the top right corner of each reporting screen. Without this approval, we could not conduct this survey.

## **Authority and Confidentiality**

Title 13, United States Code, Section 131, authorizes this collection. Section 224 requires your response. The U.S. Census Bureau is required by Section 9 of the same law to keep your information confidential and use your responses only to produce statistics. The Census Bureau is not permitted to publicly release your responses in a way that could identify your business, organization, or institution. Per the Federal Cybersecurity Enhancement Act of 2015, your data are protected from cybersecurity risks through screening of the systems that transmit your data.

## **Burden Estimate Statement**

We estimate the Economic Census will take an average of 7 minutes to complete. Factors such as company size, complexity, and activity will affect your actual time to complete the survey. This estimate includes the time to review instructions, search existing data sources, gather and maintain the data needed, and complete and review the survey.